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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 13TH 1909.

Nor many weeks ago we drew attention to some observations made by the Judges of the International Court at Bangkok pointing to the need of some system of registration of Chinese partnerships. The Court had been called upon to determine who were the partners in a Chinese firm which had become bankrupt. "It is a matter of great difficulty," said the Court, "to find out who the responsible partners in the firm really are—men of straw are put in as managers and found to be possessed of no means when judgment is obtained against them—and as soon as the premises are attached, people against whom there is no judgment come forward and lay claim to the property and repudiate all liability for the personal debts of the judgment debtor." Hongkong, Shanghai, and Singapore, as we said at the time, are familiar with these things. On many occasions the advisability of insisting on the registration of Chinese partnerships has been discussed in this Colony, but no practical scheme has been devised to overcome the difficulties arising from the difference between English and Chinese law without prejudicing the flow of capital from China into the business life of the Colony. A paragraph in the *Daily Press* a few days ago mentioned that the Chinese Commercial Union of Hongkong has again taken the subject into consideration. At a meeting held last week a resolution was unanimously passed in favour of the registration of partnerships, with the proviso that the partners' liabilities should be in proportion to the amount of capital subscribed by each, and that "after the passing of the Ordinance those who prefer to do so should be allowed to use the *tong* name and have their share registered in the name of their representative, who should be held liable." It was agreed that before replying to the Law Society's request for information, the resolution should be circulated among the Chinese in order that a popular opinion may be obtained.

The question was raised in the Colony as far back as 1874, when the Chinese community presented a petition to the Government, calling attention to the want of a system of registration of Chinese partners, and suggesting that such a system should be introduced. A draft Ordinance was published, and though the Chinese community appeared to be unanimous in their desire that the Bill should become law in so far as it related to the registration of Chinese partnerships, the Government declined to submit the draft Ordinance to the consideration of the Legislative Council on the following grounds:—(1) Because it was doubtful whether the measure would have carried out the objects at which it aimed; (2) because to follow capitalists who lived out of the Colony, and whose property was out of the Colony was impracticable; (3) because it would be legislating for a few whose aim was virtually the destruction of competition; (4) because the exceptional registration of Chinese merchants would be injurious; (5) any such espionage would have the effect of checking these combinations amongst the Chinese residing at Canton, Amoy and elsewhere, which are calculated to stimulate and strengthen their trade at Hongkong; and, finally, that any interference whatever with the freedom of trade would be at variance with the general policy of the Government. Only three years later, namely, in 1878, the Chamber of Commerce represented to the Government that "the publication and registration of the members of Chinese hongs in this Colony is much called for." "The members composing foreign firms," wrote the Hon. Mr. W. Keswick, as Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, "are made known, and it cannot be requiring too much of the Chinese mercantile community in this Colony to conform to a rule which is voluntarily followed by other nations, but which they decline to observe." As we have shown, the Chinese mercantile community had actually petitioned for such an ordinance four years previously. The Government sent to the Chamber of Commerce a statement of the objections recorded in 1875 by the local Government to such an Ordinance, and the matter appears to have been allowed to drop for a time. But it was revived in 1881 by the Governor of the day (Sir JOHN POPE HENNESSY) in a speech in which he mentioned the proposal and said he declined to accede to it because some of the leading Chinese bankers and others to whom, acting on his "usual principle," he had mentioned it pointed out "that the Chinese system of trading would be completely upset by it—that there is an extraordinary net work of investments in this Colony, as in any other community of Chinese, and that it would interfere seriously with Chinese trade, and, in fact, tend to prevent the influx of Chinese into the Colony." Yet in the very next year we find the Chinese community presenting a petition signed by 63 well-known Chinese and headed by 104 hongs calling attention to the evils "arising from the want of a system of registration of Chinese partners," and submitting certain propositions which they prayed might receive legislative sanction. The Registrar-General was of opinion that both petitions in favour of registration had been prepared in panic, the latest arising from heavy losses in house speculation, and he suggested that it might be well to let the over-speculation cure itself. Accordingly nothing more was heard of the subject till 1891, when it was once more brought up by the Chamber of Commerce, in the form of a recommendation in connection with a Bill to amend the law relating to Bankruptcy. They expressed the opinion that to render this Bill more completely applicable to local requirements it should be preceded or supplemented by a Bill making compulsory the registration of individual members of Chinese firms trading in the Colony. Nothing, however, appears to have been done in this direction. The subject, however, had been engaging the attention of the Government of the Straits Settlements, and in 1894 the Government procured from the Straits a copy of the Ordinance which had been drafted there, together with copies of the printed papers connected with the subject. Opinion was

as much divided on the subject in the Straits as in Hongkong, and the Bill did not go beyond its second reading. Meanwhile the Acting Chief Justice of Hongkong had been making representations to the Governor that a system of limited partnerships in *commandite* would be of great use here and would readily be adopted, but after hearing from the Straits Government, the Governor, on the advice of the Attorney General (Mr. Foxlock at that time), decided that nothing further should be done "for the present." Once more the Chamber of Commerce reopened the question in 1900, and a Committee of Inquiry was appointed. This Committee unanimously decided, "though for different reasons," that it would be inadvisable to introduce the suggested legislation. This was thought to be the last word on the subject for a generation to come, but successive Judges have not ceased to comment on the need of some system of registration, and now we have the Chinese mercantile community and apparently the Hongkong Law Society re-opening the question. There has never been much difference of opinion as to the desirability of registration; the problem has been, as we have said, to evolve a practical scheme to overcome the difficulties arising from the difference between English and Chinese law without prejudicing the flow of capital from China into the business life of the Colony.

The Hongkong Race Meeting has been fixed for the 15th, 16th and 17th February.

The United States cruisers Pennsylvania and West Virginia, each of 14,500 tons, reached Hongkong yesterday from Manila.

Mr. T. H. King has been appointed to discharge the duties of Superintendent of Imports and Exports during the absence on leave of Lieutenant C. W. Beckwith, R.N.

Yesterday large congregations attended St. John's Cathedral to hear the special sermons preached on behalf of the Church Missionary Society. Bishop Ingham, Secretary of the C.M.S., was the preacher in the morning and Bishop Landen in the evening.

An extract of meteorological observations made at Hongkong Observatory during the month of November shows the average maximum temperature for that month to have been 75.5 and the average minimum temperature 65.4 degrees. The rainfall was .065 of an inch, and there were 187.1 hours of sunshine.

The Russian Government, it is announced, has handed the Chinese Government 600,000 roubles as compensation for the losses which the Chinese merchants in Vladivostok suffered during the Russo-Japanese War. It is said that the Chinese will get back about 20 per cent of their loss.

The *On Lee*, owned by the Sze Yap steamship Company, yesterday made her third pleasure trip to Macao. She is a new vessel capable of accommodating over 1000 passengers and runs on week days to Kowloon, making the trip to Macao every Sunday. The *On Lee* does the journey to the Portuguese settlement in three and a half hours and is well equipped for the convenience of European and Chinese passengers. The fare is remarkably low, being \$1.20 first class each way.

Forty-five tins of prepared opium were seized last week at Manila on board the German mail steamer *Prinz Sigismund*, which had arrived in the port from Australia. The drug was found in the possession of a Filipino labourer, who attempted to smuggle the contraband goods ashore. Captain Lenz, of the *Prinz Sigismund*, it is stated, got to know of the illegal transaction and aided the customs authorities in the seizure of the stuff by notifying the members of the inspector's division on duty on board the vessel, who made the arrest. This is the first time a seizure of opium has been made by the customs on board a vessel coming from ports other than Hongkong.

His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council.—Ordinance No. 40 of 1900.—An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Trade Marks; Ordinance No. 41 of 1909.—An Ordinance to exempt Crown Leases granted in respect of Foreshore and submerged lands in the New Territories from a certain condition imposed under the Foreshores and Sea Bed Ordinance, 1901; Ordinance No. 42 of 1909.—An Ordinance to amend the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903, and the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903; and Ordinance No. 43 of 1909.—An Ordinance to amend the Order and Cleanliness Ordinance, 1867.

A remarkable story is related by Japanese papers in Seoul to the effect that three Koreans of unpossessing appearance presented themselves at the Residency and stated that they had been engaged in mineral mining in co-operation with twenty others for many years and had accumulated gold dust to the value of about 400,000 yen. They asked for advice as to the best way of disposing of the gold. Rather doubtful of the accuracy of the story an official went to the place where they said the gold was stored and was astonished to find the statement made quite true. Whereupon the authorities made a careful inquiry, and it was decided that the gold should be sent to the State Mint. It appears that these Koreans collected the gold dust from rivers having veins of the ore in their upper reaches and by digging ground over which rivers lay.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE BRITISH ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

MR. ASQUITH'S PRONOUNCEMENT.

LONDON, December 11th.

An enthusiastic Liberal demonstration has been held in the Albert Hall, London.

Mr. Asquith had a tremendous reception. He asked the electorate for authority to place on the Statute Book an explicit recognition that the House of Lords had no right to meddle with questions of finance.

He declared that the abolition of the absolute veto of the House of Lords must be accompanied by a shortening of the life of the House of Commons to five or even to four years.

The only solution of the Irish problem was full self-government in purely Irish affairs, with safeguards for the supremacy of the Imperial Parliament.

MR. BALFOUR'S MANIFESTO.

Mr. Balfour's manifesto declares that the attack on the House of Lords is the culmination of a long-drawn conspiracy on the part of the Liberal Government for a Single-Chamber Legislature similar to that of Greece.

The conspirators wish to be independent not only of the Peers, but of the people, and Mr. Balfour declares that no advance in the solution of the problems of the Empire will be possible until a Party is returned to power prepared to press Tariff Reform to the utmost.

THE GERMAN LOAN.

LONDON, December 11th.

In the Reichstag the Treasurer announced that a loan of 26 millions sterling, due to previous deficits, would be raised gradually to prevent any disturbing of the money market.

ANGLO-GERMAN RELATIONS.

LONDON, December 11th.

The Imperial Chancellor, Herr Bethmann-Hollweg, in the course of a notable speech in the Reichstag expressed a sincere desire for good Anglo-German relations. The more freely and loyally this attitude was expressed, he said, the better would it be for both countries.

SHORTAGE OF COTTON.

GREAT EXCITEMENT IN THE COTTON MARKETS.

LONDON, December 11th.

The Report of the United States Bureau shows the cotton crop to be 200,000 bales below the most sanguine expectation of the bulls.

This report has caused record excitement in the New York and Liverpool markets and prices are soaring.

NEW ITALIAN CABINET.

LONDON, December 12th.

Sigoro Sonnino has formed a Liberal coalition Cabinet.

MOROCCO AND THE CONGO.

VIEWS OF GERMANY'S FOREIGN MINISTER.

LONDON, December 12th.

Herr von Schoen, Minister for Foreign Affairs, speaking in the Reichstag, emphasised the good results of Franco-German co-operation in Morocco, and bore testimony to the disinterested action of France.

Herr Schoen also declared that the Belgian Government's scheme of reforms for the Congo, if loyalty carried out, would contribute to the welfare of the natives and achieve free trade for all nations in the Congo.

A CUSTOMS PROSECUTION.

Before Mr. E. R. Halifax at the Magistracy on Saturday Mr. T. H. King, the acting Superintendent of Imports and Exports, proceeded against a Chinese woman for selling liquor without a licence, and against two men for assaulting an excise officer.

Complainant informed the Court that some Chinese revenue officers, acting under instructions from Revenue Officer Wilden and Mackenzie, boarded the *Siberia* and had a conversation with the female defendant. One of the officers asked for a bottle of beer and the defendant sent a small boy down to the firman's quarters to procure one. The European revenue officers saw the beer produced, and the money paid for it, and thereupon placed the woman in charge of a Chinese officer. While inquiring about the woman from the chief officer, a gang of coolies assaulted the excise officer and released his prisoner, who was subsequently re-arrested. The two male defendants were the ring-leaders.

After hearing the evidence his Worship fined each of the defendants \$50, the alternative being two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

THE COLONY'S FINANCES.

The financial statement issued by the Colonial Treasurer for the month of September shows a balance of assets and liabilities on 31st August of \$481,083.73, and this, plus the revenue for September, \$389,699.10, gives a total of \$870,782.83. Deducting the expenditure for September, \$153,167.25, the credit balance stands at \$677,615.58.

The statement of the Colony's assets and liabilities places the total assets at \$798,812.81 and the total liabilities at \$301,197.23. The reimbursement due by railway construction account on December 31st, 1908, is \$1,356,136.50, and with the credit balance for 1909 deducted it stands at \$1,004,567.39. Adding the previously mentioned credit balance of \$677,615.58 the balance of assets (General Account) now stands at \$1,682,182.97.

INDIA'S OPIUM REVENUE.

A curious state of things has arisen in consequence of the restriction under the Secretary of State's orders of the exports of Malwa opium from Bombay. The limit allowed to be exported in 1910 was booked, it will be remembered, several months ago, and during the past few weeks there has been an extraordinary rush to get priority of shipment for 1911, for which year the limit of the number of chests to be exported has not yet been fixed. In the first thirteen days of November in Malwa 17,000 chests passed the scales, the duty of Rs. 600 being paid on each chest so that in all over a crore of rupees has reached the Government Treasury. This gigantic speculation has tightened the money market all round and at the same time has replenished the Government exchequer for the time being, though it represents, of course, only the forestalling of what would ordinarily have been the revenue of the year after. Its result is to bring the opium receipts for this year which in October were fifty lakhs ahead. It also makes it probable that should cotton now begin to move as the excellence of the harvest of this staple renders probable the Government of India's year will close with a small surplus instead of with the deficit that has hitherto seemed inevitable.

A TONG WAR IN SAN FRANCISCO.

A KIND OF CLASSIC TRAGEDY.

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ADMISSION, 50 CENTS. Each Ticket will entitle the holder to a Xmas Present, if presented at the Souvenir Stall on the evening of the 18th.

The Band of the 13th Rajputs will be in attendance. Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1510]



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REVIEWS

China: Its Mart and Mystery. By T. Hodges LIDDELL, R.A. With 40 illustrations in colour by the author. London: George Allen and Sons.

It is now many more years than we care to reckon since we interviewed in Hongkong Mr. Mortimer Monks, the disciple and biographer of Whistler, on the subject of Hongkong and China generally, as a field for artistic exploitation. This disciple of the author of "The Gentle Art of Making Enemies" was quite enthusiastic over some scenes that had come under his notice in the Isle of Fragrant Streams, especially the interiors of certain hongs in the west end, and he then expressed a hope that he would be able to return to place on permanent record the impressions he had obtained during a brief visit to the Colony. Mr. Hodges Liddell does not appear to have found China's chief attraction in impressionistic interior. Rather has he been impressed by the beautiful landscapes and cloud effects familiar to most of our readers, and by the quaint street life and picturesque buildings of the Celestial Kingdom.

In the preface of his book he writes: "China is such a vast country, and holds such wealth of beauty and interest, that an artist might spend years and then only have taken the cream from each place."

I venture to think that if Europeans could but see more pictures, realistically painted, of the natural and created beauties of that great Empire, they would form a better opinion, not only of the country, but of the civilisation and very high artistic sense of the people.

My visit to Japan was but a short one, a holiday after a long spell of hard work in very great heat; but I could not help comparing the two countries artistically, very much (from my point of view), in favour of China.

In the chapter on Hongkong, he speaks of the wonderful beauty of our amanita, and leviable & beautiful vocabulary on the other natural beauties in which our little island is set.

We are not all gifted with the artistic sense, so it is well for some of us to see scenes that have become prosaic by reason of daily observation and familiarity, through the eyes of an artist like Mr. Liddell.

The frontispiece of his book is a view of Hongkong from the harbour, and the same scene is reproduced with fine artistic feeling at the sunset hour when the blue haze that betokens the Chinaman's evening meal throws a mysterious glamour over the red-tiled terraces rising from the sea amid the greenery of the hill-side.

Yet, one of his most successful pictures is a group of fishing boats on the Pearl River, near Canton; golden sail reflected in the water, brown hills standing out of the haze in the background, and above it all an opalescent sky streaked by the sunlit clouds.

Meao, Shanghai, Soochow, Hangchow, Shantung and Tientsin all supply subjects for Mr. Liddell's brush, but it is Peking and some of the innermost recesses of the capital that provide the largest number of pictures from any one place.

Thanks to the kind office of certain highly-placed officials, he was permitted by the late Empress-Dowager to penetrate the sacred precincts of the Summer Palace.

The Lama Temple at Peking also lent itself to artistic treatment.

Notwithstanding the limitations in art reproduction, there could be nothing finer than the pictures of the Pailin in the Lama Temple or the Pavilion of the late Empress-Dowager and the Marble Junk in the Summer Palace, and Mr. Liddell is to be congratulated not only on his own treatment of those and other subjects, but on the success of those who have co-operated with him in the technical work of reproducing his pictures.

Even in the present time of financial depression the artist ought to find a ready sale for the originals of these illustrations, which are by far the best we have seen in any of the numerous books on China.

Of the lotteries of the book, we cannot write in such terms of unreserved praise.

We do not think that Mr. Liddell aims at any high literary standard. He gives his impression as a globe-trotter, and the globe-trotter, as Dr. James Cantlie once remarked us, has his uses, one of them being to bring to the notice of the inhabitants of a place customs and peculiarities that escape our dulled and familiarised perceptions. But this apart, his contribution to the literature on China has little to recommend it. Of course, we write with a knowledge of things Chinese; others who have no such knowledge may find the information and impressions more entertaining.

The pictures, however, are the chief feature of the book, and we are confident that in Hongkong and the Treaty Ports of China the work will be in brisk demand.

Sugar: A Handbook for Planters and Refiners. By J. and E. NEWLANDS. London: E. & F. N. Spon, Ltd.

This is an excellent work of reference for those interested in the sugar industry. An introduction is given a comprehensive list of works relating to the subject. The cultivation of the plant is first considered, and a description of the most approved canes is given in much detail.

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FOREIGNERS AND THE INCOME TAX.

Under the above heading, Mr. F. F. Matheson, of 16, Corinthian Avenue, E.C., writes a lengthy letter. May it not be worth while to consider what is likely to be the effect, he writes, of the continued high income-tax which has to be paid by foreigners holding English securities, and the super-tax perhaps in addition, on the working of concessions and businesses abroad by English companies?

According to the Finance Bill no exemption, abatement, or relief in respect of the tax shall be given unless the person claiming is resident in the United Kingdom or employed in the service of the Crown abroad; income tax shall not be payable, however, in respect of the interest on any securities of a foreign State or a British possession which are payable in the United Kingdom, where it is proved that the owners of the securities do not reside in the United Kingdom.

"To take a concrete case of concession, that of the Antofagasta and Bolivia Railway, this is worked by an English Joint Stock Company, with offices and a board of directors in London; it is believed there are large Chilean stockholders, any of whom, with dividends and interest amounting to £6,000 per annum, will have income tax and should have super-tax deducted from his proportion at the rate of 1s. 5d. per £1, or nearly 7½ per cent., and still higher rate for a larger income."

"There are other foreign railways similarly worked, more especially in Argentina, large blocks of whose stocks are held by or for Argentines, in which cases much money might be saved here by insisting that the management should be carried on by Argentine companies, instead of English ones. It may be that English companies could have their offices removed to the other side of the world and local directors appointed there, as has been done in the case of Henry Clay and Beck and Co. (Limited), so that the dividends could be paid not by warrant on foreign bankers, and the funds placed out of reach of the Island Revenue authorities.

"There are probably French shareholders in Aus Chasse, Laborie, Amiens, in California, Oilfields, Australias in Patagonia, Laing and Bruce, South Africans in the Durban, Roodepoort Gold Mine, Canadians in Calgary and Edmonton Land, and so on, all of whom would have the tax deducted before they received their dividends; the colonial or foreign vendors or concessionaires who receive the purchased price, or part of it, in scrip may well consider whether it is not better to sell to some other than an English group for the formation of a company as has been done in the cases of the Mexican Light and Power, the Brazil Railway Company and others. The revenue will lose the Somerset House fees, and workpeople the chance of making machinery and other requirements, and clerks will lose positions in London and the other large towns."

"In addition to the class of company I have referred to, there are others, such as the different South African gold mines which have offices or agents here, with foreigners or their nominees here on the register, who have hitherto received dividends less the income-tax in their case, and especially if the majority of the shareholders are not English, it will be easy to remove the offices or agents to the Continent or to the place where their properties are situated."

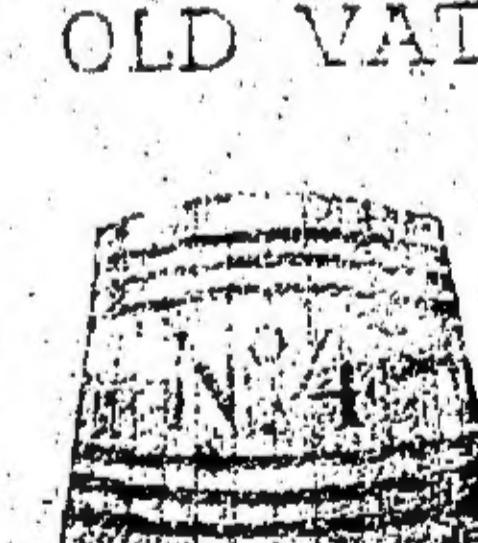
"It may be said that it will be difficult to get the super-tax from foreigners, the only words which seem to apply to them in the Finance Bill being: 'It shall be the duty of every person chargeable with the super-tax to give notice that he is chargeable to the Special Commissioners, etc., and even if they can be made to pay once and hold exclusively English securities they will be able to sell enough to bring their total income to less than the £5,000.'

"Besides the loss of income tax on foreigners which may be brought about by the means shown above, a method seems to have been devised in the Irish Land Bill by which tenants for life of properties sold, will be able to avoid the tax, they will be able to get the proceeds invested, with the sanction of the Public Trustee for Ireland, in debentures and bonds of American railroads, so that if they live abroad the trustees will only have to send them the coupons to be collected through foreign bankers, from America."

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CLAN, British str., 2,510, L. Blund, 11th Dec.—Singapore 2nd Dec., Petroleum in bulk—Anglo Petroleum & Co.
DECAZONI, British str., 4,475, J. Liepenhausen, 11th Dec.—Yokohama 30th Nov., General—Butterfield & Swire.
FOSHING, British str., 1,423, T. Lianas, 11th Dec.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 7th Dec., Rice and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
FU, Norwegian str., 860, C. Wagle, 10th Dec.—Haiphong 8th December, Rice—Aagaard Thoresen & Co.
GREGORY APCAN, British str., 2,961, S. H. Wilson, 12th Dec.—Singapore 5th Dec., General—David Session & Co.
HAYLING, British str., 1,362, Hodges, 12th Dec.—Swatow 11th Dec., Tea and General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
HONGBEE, British str., 2,086, J. Home, 11th December—Swatow 4th Dec., General—Chinese.
IDONENUS, British str., 4,250, R. A. T. Johnson, 12th Dec.—Saigon 8th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.
ISCHIA, Italian str., 2,461, G. Belzita, 11th Dec.—Romay and Singapore 4th Dec., General—Cunard & Co.
KIANG CHUNG, Chinese str., 12th Dec.—Canton.
KISAGATA MARU, Japanese str., 1,470, R. Oguri, 12th Dec.—Moji 6th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
LIANGCHOW, British str., 12th Dec.—Canton.
ONSANG, British str., 1,787, E. S. Woolley, 10th Dec.—Java 29th Nov., Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
PENNSYLVANIA, U.S.S. cruiser, 14,500, Pond, 12th December—Manila 10th December.
PRINZ SIGISMUND, German str., 1,844, D. Lenz, 10th Dec.—Sydney 8th Nov., General—Melchers & Co.
SIGNAL, German str., 907, G. Schlaikier, 10th December—Hulow 9th Dec., General—Jehsen & Co.
TSURUGISAN MARU, Japanese str., W. Nagatsu, 12th Dec.—Miike 7th Dec., Coal—Mitai Bussan Kaisha.
WEST VIRGINIA, U.S.S. cruiser, 14,500, J. W. Orchard, 12th Dec.—Manila 10th Dec.

DEPARTURES.

11th December.
AWA MARU, Jap. str. for Yokohama.
CHINKIANG, British str. for Amoy.
FEITHJOF, Norwegian str. for Haiphong.
HIMALAYA, British str. for Europe, etc.
HUCICROW, British str. for Canton.
KWANGLEE, Chinese str. for Shanghai.
LAISANG, British str. for Singapore.
NANCHANG, British str. for Tsingtao.
SHANSI, British str. for Canton.
YETOROFU MARU, Jap. str. for Kobe, 12th December.
BANFI MARU, Japanese str. for Moji.
BENLIDI, British str. for Nagasaki.
C. DIEDEBECKEN, German str. for Haiphong.
CLAN, British str. for Shanghai.
CLARA JENSEN, German str. for Hongkong.
CHIRINA, British str. for Shanghai.
DAIJIN MARU, Jap. str. for Swatow.
DAKOTAN, British str. for Hulow.
FUKUSA MARU, Japanese str. for Kobe.
HAIMUN, British str. for Swatow.
HANYANG, British str. for Swatow.
J. DEDERICHSEN, German str. for Hulow.
PRINZ SIGISMUND, Ger. str. for Yokohama.
TIJKINI, Dutch str. for Moji.
WAKAMATSU MARU, Jap. str. for Wakamatsu

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SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & NO.	BERTH.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.	
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NONE	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips, B.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co. ...	About 15th inst.	
LONDON & ANTWERP	DENBIGHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	W. Barrett	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	About 26th inst.	
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & AMSTERDAM	ARABIA	Gen. str.	k. w.	W. O. Tyers	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	About 19th Jan.	
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SILENTIA	Gen. str.	k. w.	Neumann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SENIGALLIA	Gen. str.	k. w.	v. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SCANDIA	Gen. str.	k. w.	Eckhorn	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 1st Jan.	
INDIA, &c.	INDIA	Swed. str.	—	v. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 15th Jan.	
TONKIN	TONKIN	Fren. str.	—	Charbonnel	MELCHERS & CO. ...	Middle of Feb.	
HIRANO MARU	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 21st inst., at 1 P.M.	
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TANGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Christiansen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at D'light	
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SUNIA	Gen. str.	—	Salmer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 5th Jan.	
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CANTON	Dan. str.	k. w.	F. L. Sommer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 5th Jan.	
KANG MARU	KANG MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. Brekman	MELCHERS & CO. ...	About 15th Jan.	
SITRONICA	SITRONICA	Gen. str.	—	R. Hayes	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th Jan., at D'light	
PEMBROKESHIRE	PEMBROKESHIRE	Brit. str.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON, & CO., LTD.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th Jan.	
NAPLES, GENOVA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, &c.	PRINZ LUDWIG	Aus. str.	—	E. v. Blaser	MELCHERS & CO. ...	About 25th Jan.	
TRISTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	E. F. FERNAND	Brit. str.	—	E. Nitsche	SANDER, WIELKE & CO., LTD.	At Noon.	
NEW YORK	BEAUMARIS	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 26th inst. A.M.	
BOSTON & NEW YORK	INDRAMATO	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	SHewan, TOME & CO.	On 22nd inst.	
EMPEROR OF JAPAN	—	—	—	J. Boyd	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 28th inst.	
—	—	—	1 m.	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 15th inst.	
—	—	—	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 22nd inst.	
—	—	—	—	—	—	On 22nd inst. at Noon.	
—	—	—	—	—	TOYOKIKA MARU	On 15th Jan.	
—	—	—	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th Jan.	
—	—	—	—	—	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.	
—	—	—	—	—	—	On 19th inst., at D'light	
—	—	—	—	—	—	On 24th inst., at Noon.	
—	—	—	—	—	—	On 31st inst., at D'light	
—	—	—	—	—	—	On 10th Jan., at 4 P.M.	
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—	—	—	—	—	—	Quick despatch.	
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The Buelow, with the German mail of the 17th ultime, left Singapore on Friday, the 10th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 16th inst., a.m.

FOR	PER	DATE
Macau	Sat. Eve	Monday, 13th, 1.15 p.m.
Swatow and Dell	Sunday	Monday, 14th, 5.00 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 9.00 a.m.
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Illoc.	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 11.30 a.m.
Bawal andhang	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 11.00 a.m.
Saigon	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 1.15 p.m.
Manila	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 2.00 p.m.
Banting	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 p.m.
Wing Kong	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 p.m.
Huskow	Tuesday	Tuesday, 15th, 10.00 a.m.
Indramayo	Wednesday	Wednesday, 16th, 10.00 a.m.
Gregory Appear	Wednesday	Wednesday, 16th, 10.00 a.m.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Friday, 17th December.—Auction of German as Flume, at Gehu by Sander, Wicker & Co Sunday, 19th December.—Bazaar of Toys on the Catholic Union Premises.

Monday, 20th December.—Public Auction of Crown Land.

COMMERCIAL.**EXCHANGE****CLOSING QUOTATIONS.**

December 11th.

ON LONDON.—

Telegraphic Transfer 191
Bank Bills, on demand 191
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 191
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 191
Credits, at 4 months' sight 191
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight/91

ON PARIS.—

Bank Bills, on demand 223
Credits, at 4 months' sight 227

ON GERMANY.—

On demand 1

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand 43
Credits, at 60 days' sight 44

ON BOMBAY.—

Telegraphic Transfer 131
Bank, on demand 131

ON CALCUTTA.—

Telegraphic Transfer 131
Bank, on demand 131

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, at sight 75
Private, 30 days' sight 75

ON TOKOHAMA.—On demand 863

ON MANILA.—On demand 871

ON SINGAPORE.—On demand 758

ON BATAVIA.—On demand 1062

ON HAIPHONG.—On demand 73 1/2 p.m.

ON SAIGON.—On demand 75 1/2 p.m.

ON BANGKOK.—On demand 863

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December 7th.

Quotations are:

Malva New \$1,300/1,350 per picul.
Malva Old \$1,360/1,400 "

Malva Older \$1,410/1,430 "

Malva V. Old \$1,440/1,460 "

Pecan fine quality \$1,100/1,200 "

Linen extra fine \$1,250/1,300 "

Pecan New \$1,445 per chest.

Pecan Old \$1,435 "

Bamboo New \$1,470 "

Bamboo Old "

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Nov. 20th.—Lauret, Loria, Memnon, 24th—

Bengal, Atholl, Schuyler, 27th—Suriga,

Perseus, Oceanian, Tamba Maru, Dec. 1st,

Brusilia, Abengoa, Glenearn, 4th—Tranquebar,

Vorwoerts, Antenor, Sonoli, St. George,

Sumatra, Thessus, 8th—Derfingher, Beavor-

wich, Cornavanshire, Iberia, Prian, 11th—

Indrasamha, Princess Alice, Nera.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

December 10th.—Glamorganshire, Indrapura,

Neomedia, Turane.

THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS, MONDAY, DECEMBER 13TH, 1909.

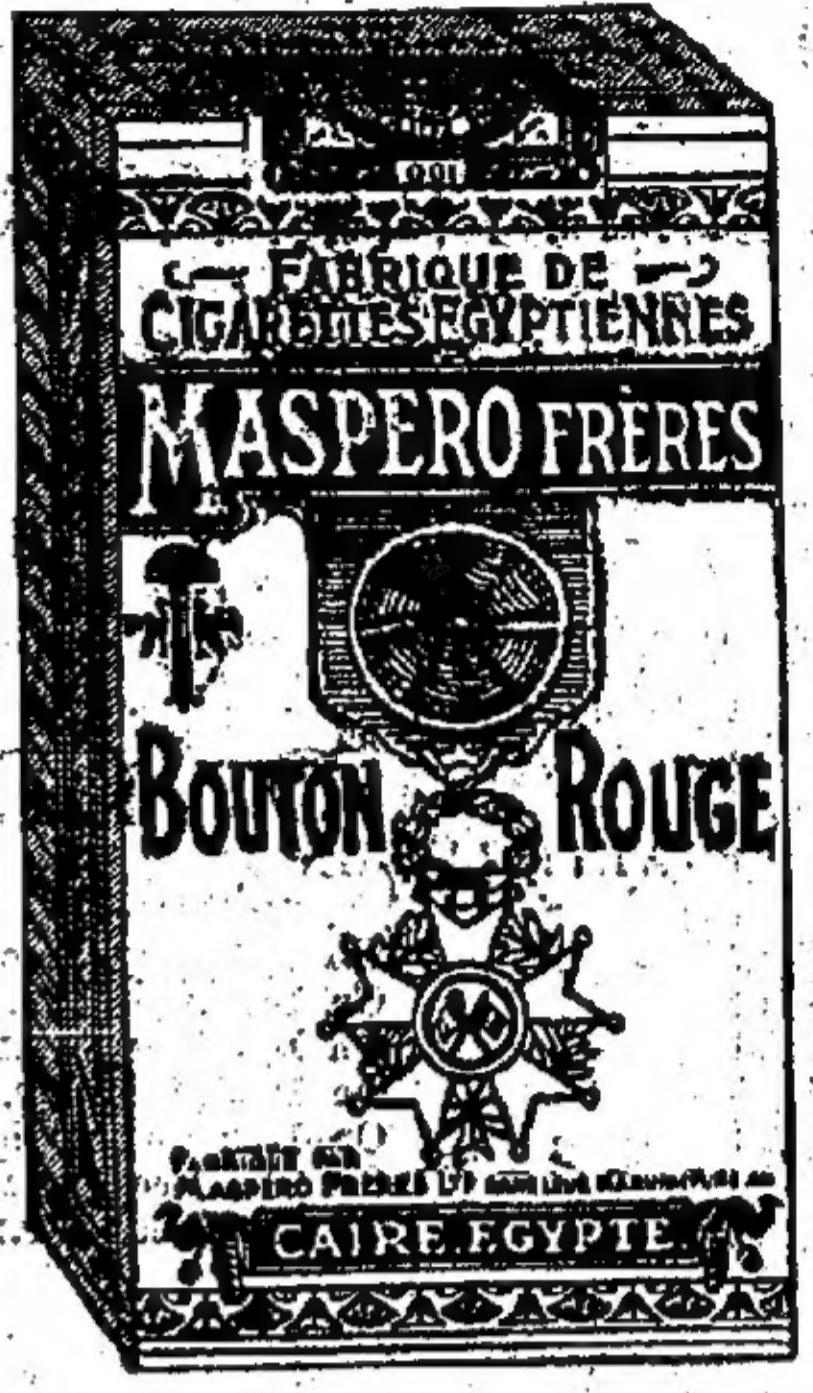
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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 10TH, 1909.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASE.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	1,997.10
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	665, buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	210, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	124, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$1	16, sal. & buy.
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	95.50, sales
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 133.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	263, sales
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 90.
Lou-Kang-Mow-Che Spin & Weave Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 111.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 430.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$73	\$6	316.5, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.				
Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	661, sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	522, sellers
New Andy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$63	\$63	397, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	65,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 77.
Hongkong and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 129.
Penwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	511, sellers
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.				
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	374, sal. & sel.
HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LIMITED.				
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	210, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	320, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	375, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	8,000	\$25	\$25	452, buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	5,000	\$25	\$180	318.5, sellers
INSURANCES.				
Canal Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$155, sellers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$117.5, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	392, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	335.5, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$215	\$25	Tls. 115, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$890, buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$230.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$102, sal. & buy.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	58, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	330, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$44, sellers
MINING.				
Societe Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin	20,000	Frs. 250	all	\$625, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	£1	18/10	373, sellers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	131.5, sellers
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$1	31.5, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$160, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$21.
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
SHIPBUILDING COMPANIES.				
China and Manilla Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	38.5, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	\$33	330, sellers</td